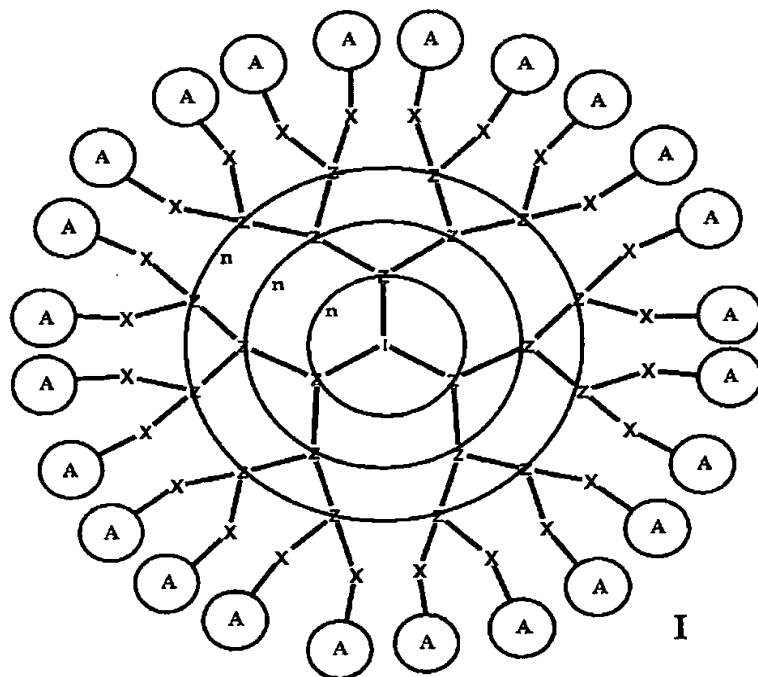


7. (Twice Amended) A method according to claim 2 wherein said dendrimer is a polyionic dendrimer of the general formula I:



wherein:

I is an initiator core;

Z is an interior branching unit;

n is an integer which represents the number of generations of the dendrimer; and

A is an anionic- or cationic containing moiety which may be linked to interior branching unit Z through an optional linking group X.

12. (Twice Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein said toxic material or substance is selected from the group consisting of (1) toxins and toxic peptides of biological origin, and toxins and toxic peptides released during bacterial, protozoal, fungal or viral infection.

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[Please add the following claim:]

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13. (New) A method according to claim 1, wherein said biological organism is selected from the group consisting of animal, plant, bacteria, protozoa, fungi and virus.
